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ALBANY, GA – Congressman Sanford Bishop made a stop at Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital to discuss health care and recognize Phoebe's CEO Joel Wernick.

On September 29th Congressman Bishop read into the Congressional Record in Washington D.C. the accomplishments Joel Wernick has made in his 20 year history at the hospital. Wednesday he presented the plaque to Wernick who was also recognized by Georgia Trend as a top 25 leader for what he's done to expand Phoebe's reach in southwest Georgia.

"The mission that this hospital carries out for southwest Georgia is so valuable and his leadership is so valuable that it ought to be acknowledged," said Re. Sanford Bishop, (D)-Georgia.

"There's always going to be a limited number of resources especially in health care and the more that we can use our wisdom and experience to share those resources with our adjoining neighbors and counties the better off we are," said Joel Wernick, Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital CEO.

Congressman Bishop talked with nurses and toured the hospital which has received federal assistance through the Congressman's office.